Rural electrification in Bihar

*314. SHRI VIJAY SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of electrification programmes undertaken by the Rural Electrification Corporation in Bihar during each of the last three years;

(b) the number of villages electrified during each of the last three years in Bihar; and

(c) the electrification programme for the current year in the State?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI ANANT GANGARAM GEETE): (a) There is no scheme operating in Bihar for rural electrification programme financed by the Rural Electrification Corporation (REC).

(b) The details of villages electrified during the last three years in Bihar is given below:

Year	New Villages
1999-2000	43
2000-01	37
2001 -02	29

(c) During 2002-03, Bihar State Electricity Board (BSEB) has a programme to electrify 2064 villages.

Separate jails for women

†*315. SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY:
SHRIMATI SAROJ DUBEY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether arrangement for separate jails for women have been made in all the districts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) to (c) State Governments construct jails including exclusive jails for women prisoners according to their requirements and resources. Separate jails for women exist in Andhra Pradesh (Hyderabad

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

and Rajamundary), Bihar (Bhagalpur), Kerala (Thiruvananthapuram), Orissa (Sambalpur), Punjab (Ludhiana), Rajasthan (Jaipur), Sikkim (Gangtok), Tamil Nadu (Trichy and Vellore), Tripura (Agartala), Uttar Pradesh (Lucknow), West Bengal (Purulia) and Delhi. Where separate jails are not available for women prisoners, separate enclosures are provided for them.

Special forces in States

*316. SHRI RUMANDLA RAAMACHANDRAYYA:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether during the Chief Ministers' Conference on Security, the Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister has suggested and urged the Centre to set up special forces in the States to ensure quick response in tackling situations like hijacking, kidnappings and attacks on religious places;

(b) if so, whether many of the State Governments have also agreed to this proposal;

(c) if so, the number of such States;

(d) whether Government are considering to set up such forces in all the States; and

(e) if so, by what time a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (e) During the Chief Ministers' Conference held on 08.2.2003, it was agreed that the States will strengthen local capabilities and set up Special Task Forces with the trained personnel and state of the art weaponry to effectively tackle the incidents of terrorism.

Time limit for submitting proposals under 'Swajaldhara' scheme

*317. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government has received complaints from